

## Senate Resolution 779

By: Senators Hill of the 4th, Ragan of the 11th, Meyer von Bremen of the 12th, Hooks of the 14th and Golden of the 8th

**ADOPTED SENATE**

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Georgia Peanut Producers Association; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, peanuts and peanut products are recognized throughout our nation and the  
3 world as an appetizing and nutritious food, providing protein and other nutrients as part of  
4 a well-balanced diet; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia leads the United States in peanut production, producing  
6 nearly 40 percent of the total supply in the nation; further, our state leads the nation in peanut  
7 exports, supplying 30 percent of the U.S. peanut exports, contributing over \$90 million  
8 toward our nation's balance of trade; and
- 9 WHEREAS, peanut production is the largest single cash food row crop in Georgia with gross  
10 farm receipts averaging over \$400 million for the past five years; and
- 11 WHEREAS, more than 250 Georgia companies engaged in warehousing, processing,  
12 manufacturing, and marketing totally depend on the peanut industry, and hundreds of other  
13 Georgia companies that engage in financing, supplying, distributing, and transporting are  
14 dependent to some extent on the peanut industry; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the Georgia peanut industry has played a significant role in the economic  
16 growth and prosperity of our state, contributing an estimated \$1 billion to the Georgia  
17 economy and supporting the livelihood of more than 150,000 Georgians.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
19 recognize and salute the outstanding contributions made by the peanut industry to the  
20 economic health of the State of Georgia.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Georgia Peanut Producers  
3 Association.